TESTS FOR SUGAR IN URINE.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE PROVINCIAL MEDICAL AND SURGICAL JOURNAL.

SIR,

In answer to "B.'s" communication, contained in the last number of the *Provincial Medical and Surgical Journal*, allow me to ask him, through the medium of its pages, whether the urine which he subjected to analysis by means of Trommer's and Moore's tests, were ascertained by any other distinctive marks *than those afforded by the former test*, to be diabetic. As Trommer's test will occasionally furnish indications of sugar, (or rather, I should say, a reddish brown deposit,) where no sugar exists, unless some corroborative evidence had been obtained, in the case under consideration, the fair presumption is, *that the urine was not diabetic.*

If, on the other hand, the urine analysed, were ascertained *by some certain test*—either fermentation or crystallization—to contain sugar, then some substance must have been present in it which prevented those changes which usually occur when grape sugar is subjected to the combined action of heat and potassa; and "B." will confer a benefit upon the profession, and especially oblige me, by extending his analysis of the urine in question, and publishing in your periodical the sources of fallacy.

I am, Sir, your obedient servant,

Great Rissington, April 18, 1846. JOHN MOORE.

TREATMENT OF QUACKERY IN FRANCE.

Jean Magloire Canard was brought before the tribunal of Correctional Police, charged with being concerned in the sale of secret remedies, the composition of which is not indicated in the codex. He pleaded that these medicines, which were composed of a powder, were given by him for the relief of the unfortunate. It was, however, proved, that he had demanded from some persons whom he had supplied with this vegetable powder thirty, fifty, one hundred, and even two hundred francs. M. Canard was condemned in a fine of six hundred francs, and further sentenced as being a former offender, to ten days imprisonment.

A herborist, named Repiquel, at the barrier of Fontainbleau, accused of illegally practising medicine and pharmacy;—fined fifteen francs for his practice of medicine, and five hundred francs for the sale of pharmaceutical preparations.

Charles Michel Drouhin, herborist, living in the Rue des Tournelles;—fined five hundred francs for illegally practising pharmacy.

Denis de Saint Pierre;—fined five hundred francs for the sale of secret remedies and pharmaceutical preparations.

MEDICAL INTELLIGENCE.

Dr. M'William has been appointed by the Government, to make an investigation into the nature and causes of the fever which affected the crew of the Eclair at the island of Bonavista, and sailed from Plymouth in February last for that purpose.

Mr. Wakley has announced his intention of shortly introducing into the House of Commons a Bill for the Reform of the Medical Profession.

METEOROLOGICAL JOURNAL FOR MARCH, 1846.

Kept at Sidmouth,

By W. H. CULLEN, M.D., SURGEON.

Mean of External Thermometer at 9 A.M.	45.72
. . . . . P.M.	44.79
. . . . . the Maxima, ...	51.95
. . . . . Minima, ...	39.25
Absolute Mean	45.60
. . . . of nine preceding years. .	40.40
Extreme highest on the 1st	55.75
. . lowest, . . 20th	28.25
. . range	27.50
Mean daily	12.70
. . Dewpoint at 9 A.M.	40.95
. . . . . P.M.	40.33
Mean of Barometer A.M.	29.904
. . . . . P.M.	29.870
Extreme highest on the 12th	30.653
. . lowest on the 23rd	29.250
. . range	1.403
Number of days fine	11
. . . . . on which any rain fell . . .	13
. . . . . variable	7
Quantity of rain in inches	2.65

Snow fell on 3 and hail on 5 days. Thunder on 5th.

Mean of 6 preceding years at 9 a.m. . . 43.33

PREVAILING WINDS.

N.	N.E.	E.	S.E.	S.	S.W.	W.	N.W
6	0	0	4	6	7	2	6

ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS.

The following gentlemen were admitted Fellows of this College on the 16th instant—Messrs. John Nottingham, Liverpool; Caleb Burrell Rose, Swaffham, Norfolk; George David Pollock, Sackville Street; Henry Burford Norman, Duchess Street, Portland Place; Hugh Bell, Yarmouth.

The following gentlemen were admitted Members on Friday, April 17th:—J. R. Reece; A. Halley; J. Brady; F. F. Allen; A. McMahon; E. L. West; D. L. Morgan; F. G. Broxholm; A. G. Fenwick; W. C. Tucker; C. Broughton; W. Delpratt.

SOCIETY OF APOTHECARIES.

Gentlemen admitted Licentiates, Thursday, April 9th:—Osmond Mullett; William Lord Grundy, Wigston Magna; Edward Bennion Batten, Oswestry; Thomas James, Louth, Lincolnshire; John Yeoman, Grosmont, Yorkshire; Octavius Edward Peddle Chard, Long-Sutton, Somerset; Bryan Lister; John Barrett Collyns, Dulverton; William Haines; Avon Dassett; Henry James Wordsworth Welch, Kingsland.

OBITUARY.

Died, lately, at Naples, aged 66, Professor Antonio Nanula, Surgeon to the Hospital St. Marie; an eminent anatomist and founder of the Museum of Pathological Anatomy at the University of Naples.

April 11th, at Brighton, aged 47, John Scott, Esq., formerly Surgeon and Lecturer on Surgery to the London Hospital.

TO CORRESPONDENTS.

Communications have been received from Mr. J. Prankerd; W. A. G.; Mr. H. Wilson; Dr. Black; "Opifer per orbem dicor."

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